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## Social Protection of Women in Uzbekistan - As an Important Link of Reforms

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Annotation: This article focuses on the protection of women's rights and interests in Navoi region, ensuring women's participation in all legal, economic, political, spiritual and educational spheres of social life, improving the socio-spiritual environment in neighborhoods and families, targeted support for disadvantaged women, the article states that it is an important task to study their living conditions and provide practical assistance.

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During the years of independence, Uzbekistan has consistently carried out radical reforms in the legal, economic, political, spiritual and educational spheres of social life in order to ensure the rights and interests of the population, including women, in the process of transition to a market economy.

In the first difficult years of the transition period, a number of important decrees and decisions were adopted, with the social protection of the interests of large and low-income families, women, pensioners and the disabled as an important task at the governmental level.

In particular, in 1994 alone, 12% of the budget of Navoi region was spent on social protection. In the first half of 1994, 7947.8 thousand soums were spent from the local budget for social protection. In addition, the governor of the region allocated another 105.5 thousand soums for heroic mothers, nogrion and pensioners, as well as low-income families for additional social protection. State support for the appointment and payment of cash benefits to economically disadvantaged families has been provided since October 1994 through the mahalla system. This was one of the first measures to restore the historical role, status and activity of the mahalla in solving the social problems of the population living in its territory.

In order to strengthen state support for families with children, provide social guarantees in solving the problems of raising the younger generation and the comprehensive development of children, from September 1, 1994 introduced a single system of benefits instead of the current system of state social assistance to families with children:

Monthly allowance to all families with children under 16; a lump-sum benefit from the birth of a child in the amount of twice the minimum wage; a monthly allowance to mothers in the amount of 20 percent of the minimum wage to care for a child until the age of two; 10 percent of the minimum wage for a family with one child; 20 percent of salary; 40 percent of the minimum wage for a family with three and four children; funds for families with five or more children are set at 50 percent of the minimum wage.

Since 1995, the transition from a system of mass social protection to a targeted and clearly targeted system of social support has taken place. The task of stabilizing the living conditions and living standards of the population, including women, and gradually improving them has

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become increasingly specific to this period.

In accordance with the decision of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan on October 13, 1997, the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Karakalpakstan, regional and Tashkent city khokimiyats secretaries of social protection of family, motherhood and childhood took a number of measures. Particular, the Secretariat for Social Protection of Family, Motherhood and Childhood of Navoi region has developed an action plan, on the basis of which the local women's committees in cooperation with law enforcement officers, intellectuals and "Women and Social Development", "Family relations and law", "Man and the law". On the basis of the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated February 2, 1998 No 54 "On the establishment of the Republican Scientific and Practical Center" Family "" scientific and practical center was established. M.Khosilova has been appointed the head of the Secretariat for Family, Motherhood and Childhood Social Protection of the Governor's Office.

Events organized by the Family Center in cooperation with local primary organizations, such as "Girls, are you ready for marriage?", "Mother-in-law's competition", "Exemplary bride", "Exemplary house" served to strengthen families. 10 exemplary families from districts and cities of the region took part in the regional stage of the contest "Exemplary family", which took place on September 12, 2019. The Kenjaev family living in Uyrot mahalla of Karmana district took the third place in the competition.

During the first 9 months of 2006, 231 marriages and 4 divorces were registered by the Civil Registry Office No. 2 in Karmana district. This result is reflected in the fact that before the start of the wedding season, the staff of the department in each neighborhood of the district held a "Preparation for a new family", "Are you ready to get married?" Roundtables on such topics were held

The events organized by the Navoi Regional Council of UzLiDeP also played an important role in improving the reproductive health of families, strengthening family values, preventing early marriages and divorces. In particular, on December 22, 2014 in Kyzyltepa district at a round table on "Healthy family - strong society, strong society - stable country" deputy of the Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majlis O. Tursunov, director of the Regional Center for Maternal and Child Screening M. Hamroeva, Deputy Hokim of Kyzyltepa district, chairwoman of the women's committee of the district G.Urakova, employees of medical and educational institutions of the district and representatives of mass media took part in it.

On April 5, 2015 at the meeting of citizens of "Shurkul" mahalla of Konimex district on the theme "If the mother and child are healthy, the family is happy, if the family is happy, the society will be strong", on September 21 in Karmana district khokimiyat On January 11, 2016 in Zarafshan with the participation of UzLiDeP Zarafshan City Council, Chairwoman of the Women's Committee of Zarafshan N.Akramova, Deputy Chairman of the Party on Women's Affairs N.Rakhmatova, on January 21 in Zarafshan Golden Valley MFY S.Turaeva, doctor of Zarafshan city Medical Association, N.Rakhmatova, deputy chairman of UzLiDeP Zarafshan city council on women's issues, on February 2 at the Health Center of Navbahor district. on October 3 in Konimex district, on October 3 in Navoi city "Matonat" mahalla, 22 Nurata tuma on November

Meetings and roundtables were held on December 13 in the Navoi regional branch of the Republican Center for Advanced Training of Medicine and Pharmacists in Navoi within the project "Healthy family - a strong family." During the campaign, all segments of the population, in cooperation with the Regional Health Department and the regional medical association, conducted in-depth free medical examinations in several areas with the participation of 11 qualified doctors. 2334 people underwent medical examinations in the region 2016, under the State Program "Year of Healthy Mother and Child" under the projects "Health - 2" and "Health - 3" all rural medical centers of Navoi region were provided with modern medical equipment and facilities. In 2018, 370.6 mln. By the end of 2019, 427 million soums will be allocated. soums.

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In 2018, in order to help women in difficult social situations in Navoi region, 1461 women in difficult living conditions received medical care, 3016 women received financial assistance in the amount of 2 billion 619 million 570 thousand soums. At the initiative of women and under the auspices of the governor, 34 women were housed in a vacant building in Navoi by reconstructing an empty building for women in difficult social situations, people with disabilities and those without children. 11 Women's Social Adaptation Centers have been established in districts and cities. O. Mardonova, a resident of Dustlik Street, needs help in order to provide targeted support, study the living conditions and provide practical assistance to women in difficult situations in the Navbahor mahalla of Navbahor district.

He was presented with a home appliance, a gas stove, by the regional trade unions. The houses of M.Khushvaqtova, a resident of Karvon MFY of Navbahor district, and M.Urinova, a resident of Yangiabad MFY, were repaired and their living conditions were improved. In Navoi region, 580 women were provided with wheelchairs, mobility aids and hearing aids in 2018 at the expense of the Public Fund for Women and Family Support, established under the Women's Committee of Uzbekistan.

In short, the protection of the rights and interests of women in Navoi region, their social protection was seen as one of the key links in the reform. Also, ensuring the participation of women in all legal, economic, political, spiritual and educational spheres of social life of the region, improving the socio-spiritual environment in neighborhoods and families, ensuring family stability is being addressed as a topical issue today.

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